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BULLETS FLEW THICK

Heard Sheriff Tell Somebody "Let That Pistol Alone" Then Shooting Began.

One of the principals in the Winnsboro riot, B. R. Beckham, special deputy sheriff, who was wounded in the leg, described the incident as follows, when seen yesterday afternoon at the Columbia Hospital:

"I am a citizen of Winnsboro and was deputized by Sheriff Hood to assist him in protecting the Negro, Jules Smith, in case an attempt should be made to take the prisoner from his custody. I was one of the party which came to Columbia this morning to get the Negro from the penitentiary. We did not anticipate serious trouble but the sheriff, to be on the safe side, deputized 12 more men when we reached Winnsboro. There was not an unusually large crowd in town.

Out automobiles were stopped at the curb across the street from the Court House. - I was in advance, other deputies flanking and following the sheriff, who had hold of the prisoner. We had reached the court house door and I had just started up the steps when the crowd began to surge about.

- "I heard Sheriff Hood order somebody to keep his hands away from his pistel. It was then that the trouble began. Somebody drew a revolver. Clyde Isenhower, who seemed to be leading the mob, was firing at the sheriff when I looked back. The sheriff's coat waved each time he was hit. Someone shot me here in the right leg. The bullet went through the fleshy part of the calf and I think grazed the bone.

"The Negro started to run up the steps and I grabbed at him, but missed. Then I drew my pistol for protection. The bullets were flying thick and fast. One of the other deputies pulled me around to the side of the steps intera better defensive position. I saw Isenhower fire at least one of the shots that hit Sheriff Hood in the stomach. Isenhower himself was shot all to pieces.

"Somebody whom I did not know stuck his pistel into my face, at the height of the affair, and was about to fire, when I asked him "Why do you want to kill me?' He lowered his pistel and mixed with the crowd. I have no idea how many men were in the attacking party. We were pretty busy and hadn't time to notice details. It was a fearful experience, but I tried in every way to do my duty."

lir. Beckham's wound, made by a pistol bullet, which pierced the calf just below the knee, was dressed at the Columbia Hospital on the arrival of the train bringing Sheriff Hood and Rural Policeman Boulware.

The story of how Sheriff Hood, after having received four wounds, carried the Negre, Jules Smith, nearly to Weeprisoner's dock in the Fairfield County court house at Winnsboro, was brought to Columbia yesterday by J. M. Stone, a special deputy, who was among the score of officers engaged in the fight. The Negro, Mr. Stone s: ., died shortly after being dropped by the sheriff. Mr. Stone suffered a slight powder burn about the face.

"The mob shot at Deputy Boulware, even after Sheriff Hood had carried the Negro into the court room." said Mr. Stone.

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Mr. Stone said that he was in front of the prisoner, on the long steps leading to the court room, when Clyde Isenhower pushed a pistel through the banister and fired three times at Sheriff Hood.

"After three shots had been fired by Isenhower," said Mr. Stene, "Sheriff Hood pulled his pistol and began firing. I think that the sheriff hit Isenhover every time he fired. The sheriff had told all of the deputies not to fire until it was necessary."

Mr. Stone said that all of the attacking party stood behind posts or the steps. He had no idea how many shots were fired.

## NO INQUEST HERE CORONER DECIDES

Body of Late Sheriff Hood Will Be Taken to Winnsbore This Morning

Coroner Scott of Richland County last night notified Coroner Smith of Fairfield County of the death of the late Adam D. Hood, Sheriff, at the Columbia Hespital. Coroner Scott said that an inquest would be unnecessary in this county. The body will be carried to Winnsbore on the Southern train leaving Columbia at 5:35 o'clock this morning. The inquest will be held this morning in Winnsbore immediately after the arrival of the train. The funeral arrangements will be announced later.

### AMMUNITION SENT BY ARLED GUARD

#### . Brookland Light Infantry Put Under Arms

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## Governor's Office Acts.

Capt. J. B. Doty, cormanding the Winnsboro Rifles, telephoned to the adjutant general's office yesterday, shortly after the bloody affray had occurred between a mob and Sheriff Hood's pesse, saying that he had but a samll supply of aumunition and might need more at any moment.

Naj. J. Shapter Caldwell, assistant adjutant general, his chief, Gen. W. W. Moore, being in Charleston---promptly assembled a detail of men from the Governor's Guards, togethere with Capt. E. B. Cantey and Capt. Phett Roman, drew a supply of Springfield service ammunition from the State Armory and left for Winnsboro with the detachment at 11:25 o'clock, using two automobiles.

Each member of the party was furnished with a 38 calibre regulation revolver, with belt, holster and ammunition. Eesides Maj. Caldwell, the party comprised Capt. E. B. Cantey, Capt. Rhett Roman, Lieut. J. R. Van Matre, First Sergt. C. A. Newnham, Corporals George Naufal and Hasell Inomas, Private T. E. Montgomery and Dibert Jackson, Civilians J. Irby Koon and W. J. Cormack and Chauffers M. L. Garrick and J. Walter Higbe. Maj. Caldwell armed his men because of an intimation that possibly members of the mob might try to intercept the supply of ammunition which he was con-

The trip to Winnsboro was made by ammunition detail in one and a quarter hours. The four cases of guard cartridged which they brought were delivered to Capt. Doty. The detail was held in Winnsboro for a few hours, in anticipation of a possible need for their services. It was seen after a while, however, that the local company had the situation well in hand. So the Columbia party returned to the capitel.

## GOVERNOR'S OFFICE WAS QUICK TO ACT

# Responded Promptly to Appeal of Winnsboro Mayor for Troops and Cartridges

Columbia's first intimation of trouble at Winnsboro came at 10:17 o'clock yesterday morning in the form of a telegram from the mayor, C. A. Robinson, to the governor "Please give me authority to call out the militia at once." Mr. Robinson wired. "Tried to kill Jules Smith, Negro, tried for here for assault today. Several parties shot already."

The governor's office telegraphed Mayor Robinson authority to call upon Capt. J. B. Doty, commanding the Winnsboro Rifles, Campany K, Second regiment, for assistance, and by wire instructed Capt. Doty to hold his company in readiness to aid the mayor.

Gov. Manning had gone to Virginia to address the alumni association of the University of Virginia. Andrew J. Bethea, Lieutenant Governor, got into communication with him at Charlottesville by long distance telephone. The governor expressed deep regret at the affray, approved the steps taken in the emergency by his office and asked that the militia on duty be advised not to precipitate trouble but rather to hold the situation under control and preserve the peace. He desired Mr. Bethea to keep him informed as to the developments and said he would return if pescible

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"Am advised that Sheriff Hood and four deputies were shot this morning at Winnsboro in effort to defend life of Negro who was being taken to court house for trail and that Negro was killed by mob. Your secretary, Mr. Moses, is at Sumter, unwell, but your stenographer, Mr. Wood, has responded to request by Mayor Robinson and signed your order for militia to handle situation. Mayor reports militia have matter in hand and that everything is cuiet. Those wounded are being hurried to Columbia Hospitals, and it is believed there will be no further trouble. It seems to me that your office has done everything possible to assist in the matter, but if you need me to serve you in any way during your absence, please command me."

"Gov. Manning's caution to the militia was transmitted by the lieutenant governor to Capt. Doty at Winnsboro in a telegram as follows:

"Gov. Manning, who is in Virginia, requests me to advise you not to precipitate trouble, but to use every effort to quell the riot and preserve the peace, without further loss of life if possible." Er. Bethea : t the following telegram yesterday afternoon to Goy. Kanning at Charlottesville, Va.

"Have had conversation with Mayor Robinson of Winnsboro and he reports that situation is under control. Do not think that you could give further assistance by your presence here. Condition of wounded unchanged."

Gov. Manning is to deliver an address tonight at the annual meeting of the University of Virginia alumni. He will return to Columbia Wednesday afternoon.

## "I DID MY DUTY," says ADAM D. HOOD

Fairfield Sheriff Tells Physician He Expects Death, Deputy's Condition is Serious

"I expect I'll die, but I did my duty," Sheriff Hood of Fairfield remarked, in the hearing of J. C. Buchanan, M. D., as he was being lifted into a special train yesterday to be brought to Columbia for surgical attention, after having been shot in several places in defending a Negro prisoner against a mob.

On the trip to Columbia the wounded sheriff was in a comatose condition most of the time. He was accompanied by Dr. Buchanan and by J. E. Douglas, N. D. as well as by Mrs. Hood.

Examination at the hospital indicated that Sheriff Hood had been hit by three shots, producing four wounds, three of them in the abdoment, causing 15 perforations. The intestines were resected in two places, other perforations were sewed up and wounds in other parts of the body were dressed. Early last evening his condition was described at the hospital as "critical."

J. R. Boulware, rural policeman, was hit by one shot in the middle abdomen. There were seven perforations. a Resection was performed in one place and the other perforations were seved up. His condition from the first was reported as "serious."

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## FAIRFIELD COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

March 30, 1993

Mr. Julian M. Kelly Post Office Box 336 White Rock, South Carolina 29177

Dear Mr. Kelly:

This responds to your request for information concerning the death of Sheriff Adam Dubard Hood.

Based upon information obtained from the Fairfield County Court House, Sheriff Hood was killed by gun fire on June 14, 1915, while escorting a prisoner to court for trial. Deputy Raleigh Boulware was killed in the same incident.

If we may be of further assistance, please let us know.

Sincerely,

William T. Scott Administrator

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June 28, 1999

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Sheriff Herman Young County Office Bldg. Columbia Rd. Winnsboro, S.C.

## Dear Herman,

I called you a month or so about getting you'r help and advice on putting together an exhibit this year about the "Winnsboro Riot" of June 14, 1915. I am sending you a copy of contemporary journalism about this event. I have been talking up the idea and have located and met the nephew of Clyde Isenhower who promises to bring in Clyde's son to meet me the next time he is in town. I also have the pearl handled Smith and Wesson handgun which belonged to Sheriff Hood and have been told of another gun in someone else's possession which is claimed to be Sheriff Hood's also. If you could ask around, I would love to find a descendant of Jules Smith who knows enough about the incident to relate to me. A man from Columbia told me that he has pursued finding a screen writer to write a film script for the story. Perhaps we can dig up enough to entice someonel

As I will maybe not find additional artifacts or information to elaborate enough on the one incident, perhaps the exhibit should be scheduled for law enforcement month/week. When is that? I could use the entire museum for an exhibit celebrating that time. You may remember that Tony Hill helped Pattie Coleman celebrate Fire Fighters' Week about a year or so ago and it brought in lots of visitors.

I also have another request. Reverend Dan Weck (Unitarian Universalist) said that he thinks he met you at an event once and he has some concerns that he needed your advice about. I told him I would get this promised letter off to you and ask if you'd come by one day soon. Dan volunteers at the Museum and drives in from Newberry County every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday to help me!

Sincerely,

PELHAM LYLES SPONG DIRECTOR

Post office Box Six 231 South Congress Street Winnsboro, South Carolina 2 9 1 8 0 2 (803) 635 • 9811

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Best \_ John & Moore

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Unfortunately for the human race this cry has rolled down the ages, and that same cry can be heard today only a little louder than ever before. To my mind your husband was a Model, a tower of strength in a perfect creation of an all wise and merciful God. Ever since he burst upon the world with his matchless eloquence and spotless character, he has wielded an influence for good that will live and shine throughout the ages of eternity. Although I have been desperately ill for seven years, under the surgeon's knife, doctors, nurses and various hospitals, there surges through every fibre of my being the wish that I was able to make the journey to Arlington in order that I might rake the withered leaves aside and place a pyramid of flowers upon the grave of the talented dead. To my way of thinking the name of William Jennings Bryan, the great defender of our faith and that of our forefathers will tower above the world, shall be unto us as a beacon light upon the shore of time, pointing out with absolute accuracy the way to Everlasting Life and to the beauiful home beyond the sky. I rawled out of bed this morning it 4 o'clock and got down on my mees and thanked the great lod in Heaven for having given to he world the life and character f William Jennings Bryan. The icked crowd persecuted and cruified Jesus the lowly Nazarene nd the wicked and cruel crowd ersecuted and crucified William ennings Bryan. How beautifuland softly he placed his feet in ie foot steps of Jesus! Oh! My ear Mrs. Bryan how exquisitely appy you must have been, to we been permitted to live so ng with a man like that. As I ance backward over the storm evangelistic battlefield rept rewn here and there with the eached bones of what at one ne constituted human greatss, I feel free to confess that d it not been for men like Wilm Jennings Bryan. I am very ich afraid that a man by the me of William Richmond Nail uld be in the Bottomless Pit of dition today. Bless the Lord,

## THE WINNSBORO RIOT.

BRAVE SHERIFF HOOD SUC-CUMBS TO HIS WOUNDS.

Thought Prisoner Was Amply Protected, But Precautions Failed To Balk Terrible Desire For Vengeance—Clyde Isenhower, Who Headed the Attack On the Sheriff's Party, Desperately Wounded In Hospital Here,—Several Officers and Bystanders Had Exceedingly Narrow Escapes. 1915-

Winnsboro, June 14.—Two people were shot to death, one was probably fatally wounded and half a dozen others were more or less painfully hurt here this morning in a battle precipitated by the bringing of Jules Smith, a negro, to Winnsboro for trial for alleged criminal assault upon a white woman of Fairfield county.

The dead are: A. D. Hood, sheriff of Fairfield county and Jules Smith, the prisoner, and Clyde Isenhower, relative of the victim, is in desperate condition at a Chester hospitol.

J. R. Boulware, a deputy sheriff of Fairfield county, is probably fatally shot.

Soon after the tragedy the grand jury met and returned true bills, charging murder against Clyde Isenhower, who at that time was linger-ing on the point of death; Ernest Isenhower, his brother; Jesse Morrison, a brother-in-law, and James Rawls, the indictments charging the murder of Jules Smith.

The inquest into the negro's death was adjourned until Friday. The inquest into the sheriff's death will be held tomorrow.

Both Sheriff Hood and Isenhower were literally shot to pieces. Each had five or six bullets in his body. Both were shot several times in the abdomen as well as in the arms and hands. Deputy Boulware was struck but once, the bullet penetrating the abdominal cavity and caused what is regarded as an exceedingly dangerous wound. Smith, too, was struck but once, the bullet taking effect just to the left of the navel.

Earle Stevenson, another deputy, was shot twice through the left arm, near the elbow. One of the bullets severed the artery in the arm, and young Stevenson suffered terribly from the loss of blood before the tourniquet was applied to staunch the flow. Stevenson and Isenhower were taken to Chester late this afternoon by S. W. Pryor, M. D., for surgical attention in the Pryor hospital. Isenhower died at 10:30 o'clock tonight.

A special train came here, from Columbia immediately aftr the shooting and Sheriff Hood and DepuBoulware were rushed to Colum-, for operations, the former dying by tonight.

In the fusiliade, many shots went ld, striking a bystander here and ere, or burying themselves in the ills of the building. On the stairity up which Sheriff Hood led his isoner, the wall is splotched with ood and the plastering is bullet illed. Policeman Haynes, who ith Sheriff Hood was léading the ero up the stairway, hesitated just moment when the firing began ad three or four bullets were pluged in the wall on either side of his end.

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D. F. Smith, who was standing in the court yard, was struck in the side by a bullet, which had spent its force against one of the large columns of the portico.

W. L. Holley, judge of probate, also had a narrow escape. Mr. Holley was leaning against the door facing of the lower front entrance to the court house. When Clyde Isenhower had emptied his pistol he ran into the building, with bullets flying in his trail. One of these bit a particle from the brick coping at Mr. Holley's side, and barely brushing his stomnch, buried itself in the opposite wall.

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Despite his weakened condition from a half dozen wounds, Shëriff Hood led the negro into the court room, where the prisoner dropped heside the dock, dying there a few minutes later. The officer then staggered on within the bar, and was eased to the floor by one of the court officials.

"Well, they got me. I'm shot all to pieces," were his only words.

Deputy Boulware followed his chief into the court room and dropped on a bench near the middle of the room.

Isenhower emptied his pistol and then dodged into the sheriff's office on the lower floor of the court house. When he was found there a minute later, stretched at full length behind the door, he was unbreeching his pistol and throwing the shells to the floor.

Like Sheriff Hood, Isenhower was almost shot to pieces. In addition to the shots from the front, three deputies flanked him from the north side of the building. None of the crowd intervened and bullets from the officers' weapons drilled him clean, several of them taking effect in the right shoulder and in the right side. The cement surface about the courtyard, the stairs and the court blood spotted. Unwere broken streaks of blood stains were room woven wherever the wounded men men walked and puddles formed wherever they fell.

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"The negro started to run up the steps and I grabbed at him, but missed. Then I drew my pistol for protection. The bullets were flying thick and fast. One of the other deputies pulled me around to the

side of the steps, into a better defensive position. I saw Isenhower himself was shot all to pieces.

"Somebody whom I did not know stuck his pistol into my face, at the height of the affair, and was about to fire, when I asked him, "Why do you want to kill me?" He lowered his pistol and mixed with the crowd. I have no idea how many men were in the attacking party. We were pretty busy and hadn't time to notice details. It was a fearful experience, but I tried in every way to do my duty."

Mr. Beckham's wound, made by a pistol bullet, which pierced the calf just below the knee, was dressed at the Columbia hospital on the arrival of the train bringing Sheriff Hood and Rural Policeman Boulware.

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Court had not yet convened when the tragedy occurred. Immediately upon the opening this afternoon at 3 o'clock Judge John S. Wilson charged the grand jury to make a chorough investigation, instructing that "efforts should be made to bring to justice overy man who has taken the law into his own hands." The jury went to its rooms immediately, and at 7 o'clock returned the indictments.

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Columbia, June 15 .- One of the principals in the Winnsboro riot, B. R. Beckham, special deputy sheriff, who was wounded in the leg, described the incident as follows, when seen yesterday afternoon at the Columbia hospital:

"I am a citizen of Winnsboro and was deputized by Sheriff Hood to assist him in protecting the negro, Jules Smith, in case an attempt should be made to take the prisoner it our his sustady I was one of the party which came to Columbia this morning to get the negro from the ve did not anticipenitentiary. pate serious tr the, but the sheriff, to be on the safe side, deputized 12 more men when we reached Winnsboro. There was not an unusually

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## SPRATT B. & L. STOCKHOLDERS MET TUESDAY EVENING

Net Earning Of 7.71 Per Cent For Past Year-Directors and Officers Re-elected.

The Spratt Building and Loan Association stockholders held their annual meeting at the Court House Tuesday evening, with Dr. W. E. An-derson acting as chairman and Mr. W. J. Irwin as secretary. A net earning of 7.71 per cent was reported for the past X, Y, which was regarded by those present as extremely gratify-ing. On modiar of Dr R E. Abell, seconded by Mr. John G. White, the Board of Directors was re-elected, consisting of Messrs, R. R. Hafner, C. C. Edwards, Jas. H. Glenn, Jas. I. Hardin, W. J. Irwin, Edw. M. Ken-nedy, W. H. Murr, T. H. White, S. S. McCullough, J. M. Wise, J. T. Collins, T. E. Whiteside, M. H. White, N. M. McDill, and A. B. Lee. The annual report of Mr. S. S. Mc-7.71 per cent was reported for the st yor, which was regarded by

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# "Bloody Injuries"

## The Lynchings in Oconee County, 1905-1921

The history of lynchings in the American South is a somber yet enlightening story. One chapter of that story took place in Oconee County, where, in the first half of this century, there were two, perhaps three, lynchings that claimed the lives of 10 to 11 people. All the victims, except one, were black.

Lynchings are not necessarily hangings, but any kind of murder perpetrated by a group acting under the pretext of tradition of service to justice, race or tradition. Though not solely a Southern phenomenon, statistics confirm the intimate connection between lynchings and white

racism in the South. Between 1882 (when lynching statistics were first kept) and 1930 (when lynchings began a rapid decline), nearly 4,700 persons were lynched in the United States, 84 percent of whom were lynched in the Southern states. Between 1882 and 1930, 83 percent of all lynching victims outside the South and Border States were white, whereas in the Southern and Border states during this period 85 percent of lynching victims were black.

Georgia was one of the leading Southern states in terms of lynchings. Many prominent Georgians including politicians and, especially, journalists and newspaper editors used to defend lynching as a positive good. In 1897 Rebecca Lattimer Felton, a writer for The Atlanta *Journal*, gave a speech to a Georgia agricultural society in which she said that "if it takes lynching to protect women's dearest possession from drunken, ravening human beasts, then I say lynch a thousand a week if it becomes necessary." Charles E. Smith, a journalist for the Atlanta *Constitution* who used the nom de plume Bill Arp, wrote in a 1902 column: "As for lynching, I repeat what I have said before, let the good work go on. Lynch 'em! Shoot 'em! Hang 'em! Burn 'em!" Comments such as these received wide support in Georgia

## THE LYNCHING OF 1905: "DUMB HORROR"

Books on neighboring Oconee County usually omit reference to the most terrible event in the county's history, the mass lynching in downtown Watkinsville, the county seat, on June 29, 1905. The incident, in the words of a contemporary newspaper account, caused "[t]he people of Watkinsville [to] stand in dumb horror,"

The immediate cause of the lynching was an alleged attempt by a black man, Sandy Price, to rape a white woman near Watkinsville two days earlier. Forty armed men tracked down Price a half mile away, where he was surrounded, shot at, seized, and conveyed under strong guard to jail. An Athens newspaper said Price's alleged offense had "set the people of Watkinsville wild with excitement."

Another cause for the lynching was outrage over a notorious double murder near Watkinsville six weeks earlier. Lon J. Aycock, a white man, was awaiting trial on charges of being an accomplice to the crime. He had been charged with hiring three black men Claude Elder and two brothers, Lewis and Rich Robinson to carry it out. Eller and the Robinson brothers were awaiting trial along with Aycock in the Oconee County Jail.

At around 2 a.m. on a Thursday, a masked mob of 40 to 100 men in buggies or on horseback silently entered Watkinsville with military precision. The mob went to the house of the town marshal and forced him to accompany them to the old jailhouse, which still stands behind the Oconee County Courthouse. When the mob reached the jail they entered its outer doors by using the town marshal's keys. At gunpoint the mob then forced the lone jailer on duty to surrender the keys to the cells.

The mob was not there to kill any particular person; its implacable purpose was to empty the jail and slay all its inmates.

Besides Aycock, Elder, the Robinson brothers and Sandy Price, the mob also seized Rich Allen, already convicted of murder and awaiting legal execution under a judicially imposed death sentence; Bob Harris,

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According to a story in a Savannah newspaper, "The mob opened all the cells, bringing the inmates out, and bringing them up in single file, tying them with ropes; the prisoners were marched to a corner lot in the heart of the town. They were bound to a fence with their hands tied behind them. The work was so quietly done sleeping residents of the town had not been aroused. At the command by the leader the mob stepped back a few paces, took deliberate aim, and fired a volley from the rifles, shotguns, and pistols into the line of prisoners. Every man in front of the mob fell at the first volley."

"It was a scene long to be remembered by those who saw it," another newspaper article noted. "Only two flickering lights were in the hands of the crowd and the night was very dark. These lights made the scene all the more gruesome and awful."

At least two more volleys were fired by the mob before it scattered and disappeared as mysteriously as it had formed. Eight prisoners lay dead where they had fallen, about a hundred yards from the jail. The corpses remained there, a grisly sight, until long after the sun had risen.

Only one of the victims, Lon J. Aycock, had begged the mob to spare his life, vehemently protesting his innocence and telling them they were killing an innocent man. The hole in his chest caused by the bullets was as big as a man's fist.

In a miraculous quirk of fate, one of the nine prisoners removed from the jail survived the mob's firing squad a black man named Joe Patterson. He was found lying stretched out full length on the ground, having managed to loosen a cord which had tied his neck to a fence post. A doctor noticed he was still breathing. Patterson had two nonfatal bullet wounds in his body.

A tenth prisoner, Ed Thrasher, described as "the negro gambler," escaped the firing squad only because the mob somehow overlooked him in the misdemeanor side of the jail. Using the racist lingo so prevalent then, a Georgia newspaper described the fortunate Thrasher two days later as "the happiest darky in Oconee county."

The June 29, 1905 Oconee County lynching episode is one of the three worst lynching incidents involving a black victim in recorded American history. In only two other such incidents one in South Carolina in 1889 and one in Kentucky in 1908 were as many as eight persons lynched at one time.

After the lynching, the pattern of events in Oconee County was typical. In public the lynchings were universally condemned, and the members of the mob were accused of being outsiders from nearby counties. Rewards were offered. Grand jury investigations were conducted and subpoenas issued. But in the end no one was punished or even arrested or indicted for the eight murders. It is possible that the incident could have been prevented in the first place: The afternoon before the lynchings a man rode on horseback 14 miles from Morgan County to Watkinsville to warn that a lynching was imminent; but he was not believed.

The day afterward, the House of Representatives of Georgia passed, unanimously, a resolution condemning the incident. It decries "the bloody injuries inflicted upon the unfortunate victims of this crime," yet the resolution, in also "condemning the crime[s] with which the prisoners were charged," appears to presume the guilt of the eight murdered men. And the resolution ends in a whimper, stating semiapologetically that the representatives were being "forced to condemn the action of the mob."

## **1917: THE SHADOWY DEATH OF RUFUS MONCRIEF**

On Sept. 19, 1917, the front page of the Athens *Banner* carried this headline: NEGRO FOUND YESTERDAY MORNING SHOT TO DEATH, TIED TO A TREE. It is uncertain, however, whether the death of 27-year old Rufus Moncrief involved a lynching.

Moncrief's corpse, punctured with 15 bullet holes, was found near what is now Whitehall Road in a wooded area not far from Simonton Bridge, just inside the Oconee County line. Near the body was a card saying: "He assaulted one white woman; he will never wrong another."

According to an article in the Atlanta Constitution on Sept. 19, 1917, persons living near the place where Moncrief's body was found reported that shortly after midnight on Tuesday, September 18 two

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Local police, however, doubted that Moncrief had been lynched. the Athens *Banner* stated that "it is generally believed... that the death of the negro was the result of a gambling quarrel, and not lynching. Nobody in the neighborhood had heard of any assault and there was evidence that the negro had been implicated with others in a Sunday `skin game.'"

According to the newspaper, "the negro was probably killed and then dragged to the spot, roped up to the small trees and shot full of holes, the card being written to throw the officers off the real track and leave the impression that his death was the finale of another lynching bee."

The death of Rufus Moncrief, therefore, cannot be regarded as a confirmed lynching incident. Nonetheless, the historical evidence, when viewed dispassionately, makes it more likely than not that Moncrief was in fact lynched.

## THE LAST LYNCHING: WEST HALE AND GEORGE LOWE

The last lynching incident in Oconee County was on the afternoon of Sunday, Dec. 4, 1921. It claimed the lives of two victims, West Hale and George Lowe.

That afternoon a posse (many lynchings were committed by posses engaging in acts of violence that exceeded their legal authority) had tracked down Aaron Birdsong and surrounded him in a gully near Sloan's Mill, four miles from Watkinsville. Birdsong, a black man, was suspected of having entered on the previous day the house of a white farmer for the purpose of attacking the farmer's wife and daughter. Once Birdsong had been trapped a furious gunfight ensued in which both sides fired numerous shots and Birdsong was killed. Birdsong's corpse was mutilated by a fusillade of shots and then burned that night. Shortly after Birdsong's death investigators obtained information that West Hale and George Lowe allegedly had furnished Birdsong with ammunition and other assistance. The posse immediately went to the homes of Hale and Lowe, about six miles from Watkinsville, seized the two men, and took them to near the spot where Birdsong had died. Both men were then shot to death and their corpses pumped full of bullets. Before he was shot Hale was tortured by having his feet roasted in a fire.

In January 1922 four whites were arrested and charged with murdering Hale and Lowe. Only one was ever put on trial, and he was acquitted by a jury that deliberated only 45 minutes.

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Despite his weakened condition from a half dozen wounds, Shëriff Hood led the negro into the court room, where the prisoner dropped beside the dock, dying there a few minutes later. The officer then staggered on within the bar, and was eased to the floor by one of the court officials.

"Well, they got me. I'm shot all to pieces," were his only words.

Deputy Boulware followed his chief into the court room and dropped on a bench near the middle of the room.

Isenhower emptied his pistol and then dodged into the sheriff's office on the lower floor of the court house. When he was found there a minute later, stretched at full length behind the door, he was unbreeching his pistol and throwing the shells to the floor.

Like Sheriff Hood, Isenhower was almost shot to pieces. In addition to the shots from the front, three deputies flanked him from the north side of the building. None of the crowd intervened and bullets from the officers' weapons drilled him clean, several of them taking effect in the right shoulder and in the right side. The cement surface about the courtyard, the stairs and the court Unblood spotted. room were hroken streaks of blood stains were woven wherever the wounded men men walked and puddles formed wherever they fell.

Sheriff Hood was regarded as one of the best officials in the State. Being thrown upon his own resources early in life, he became a guard on the county chaingang. Later he was elected county supervisor. He was serving his 11th year as sheriff of Fairfield county. He was 43 or 44 years old. He was married, but had no children.

One of the characteristics of Sheriff Hood was his ardent enthusiasm for sports. He was a close follower of the game of baseball, and was often to be seen in Columbia, attending the South Atlantic league games. Recently when the Willard-Johnson bout was held in Habana, Sheriff Hood was one of the few South Carolinians who witnessed the fight.

Immediately after the sheriff died in Columbia tonight Coroner Scott of Richland county notified Coroner T. F. Smith, of Fairfield. The body was turned over to relatives and will be brought here early tomorrow, when

er deputies flanking and following the sheriff, who had hold of the prisoner. We had reached the court house steps when the crowd began to surge about.

"I heard Sheriff Hood order somebody to keep his hands away from his pistol. It was then that the trouble began, Somebody drew a revolver. Clyde Isenhower, who seemed to be leading the mob, was firing at the sheriff when I looked back. The sheriff's coat waved each time he was hit. Someone shot me here in the right leg. The bullet went through the fleshy part of the calf and I think grazed the bone.

"The negro started to run up the steps and I grabbed at him, but missed. Then I drew my pistol for protection. The bullets were flying thick and fast. One of the other deputies pulled me around to the

side of the steps, into a better defensive position. I saw Isenhower himself was shot all to pieces.

"Somebody whom I did not know stuck his pistol into my face, at the height of the affair, and was about to fire, when I asked him, "Why do you want to kill me?" He lowered his pistol and mixed with the crowd. I have no idea how many men were in the attacking party. We were pretty busy and hadn't time to notice details. It was a fearful experience, but I tried in every way to do my duty."

Mr. Beckham's wound, made by a pistol bullet, which pierced the calf just below the knee, was dressed at the Columbia hospital on the arrival of the train bringing Sheriff Hood and Rural Policeman Boulware.

The story of how Sheriff Hood, after having received four wounds, carried the negro, Jules Smith, nearly to the prisoner's dock in the Fairfield county court house at Winnsboro, was brought to Columbia yesterday by J. M. Stone, a special depu ty, who was among the score of officers engaged in the fight. The negro, Mr. Stone said, died shortly after being dropped by the sheriff. Mr. Stone suffered a slight powder burn about the face.

"The mob shot at Deputy Boulware, even after Sheriff Hood had carried the negro into the court room," said Mr. Stone.

Mr. Stone said that he was in front of the prisoner, on the long steps leading to the court room, when Clyde Isenhower pushed a pistol through the banister and fired three times at Sheriff Hood.

"After three shots had been fired by Isenhower," said Mr. Stone, "Sheriff Hood pulled his pistol and began firing. I think that the sheriff hit Isenhower every time he fired. Cullough showed the net earning already reported. The Association is growing year by year, and each time a new series is opened it is bigger than its predecessor. The Association has 15,258 active shares, and the new series to open this month is expected to put the total over the 16,000 mark.

The annual report of President R. R. Hafner went over 'some of the facts already touched upon by Mr. McCullough, and referred to the Building and Loan Association as the greatest agency yet devised for enabling the man of average earning capacity to become financially independent. Mr. Hafner gave the following additional facts about the past year in the Association's affairs:

The books of the Association have been audited and loans checked by James McLarnon and the financial statement prepared by him shows that the Association is in fine condition, all loans are secured by first mortgage on real estate in Chester and Chester county and on Building and Loan Certificates. In 1927 we matured two series a-

In 1927 we matured two series amounting to \$126,900.00. Out of this amount \$38,104.40 of mortgages were canceled and \$88,795.60 paid out in cash.

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On motion of Dr. Abell it was decided to hold next year's meeting in the Association's offices.

Interesting and helpful talks were made by Messrs. John G. White, J. T. Collins, and Jas. H. Glenn in regard to plans for trying to stimulate building in Chester.

At a meeting of the Directors immediately following the stockholders' meeting, the officers were re-elected, as follows: R. R. Hafner, President; T. H. White, Vice President; S. S. Mc-Cullough, Secretary and Treasurer; and John M. Wise and James H. Glenn, Attorneys.



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The Spratt Building and Loan Association stockholders held their annual meeting at the Court House Tuesday evening, with Dr. W. E. An-derson acting as chairman and Mr. W. J. Irwin as secretary. A net earning of 7.71 per cent was reported for the past year, which was regarded by past year, which was regarded by those project as extremely gratify-ing. On motion of Dr. R. E. Abell, seconded by Mr. John G. White, the Board of Directors was re-elected, consisting of Messrs. R. R. Hafner, C. I C. Edwards, Jac. H. Clenn, Jac. I. consisting of Messrs, R. R. Hafner, C. [] C. Edwards, Jas. H. Glenn, Jas. I. [] Hardin, W. J. Irwin, Edw. M. Ken-nedy, W. H. Murr, T. H. White, S. S. [] McCullough, J. M. Wise, J. T. Collins, T. E. Whiteside, M. H. White, N. M. McDill, and A. B. Lee. The annual report of Mr. S. S. Mo-

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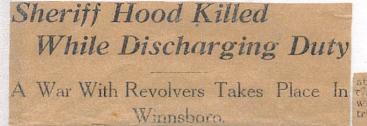
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# Three Mortally and Four Others Serious-

As a result of an exchange of from 20 to 30 shots here on M m-day morning Sheriff A. D. Hood day morning Sheriff A. D. Hood is dead, J. R. Boulware, a con-stable, is probably mortally wounded, B. R. Beckman, serv-ing as special deputy, is shot through the calf of the leg. Eari Stevenson, another special dep-ut, was shot through the left is a, severing the main artery. These represent the wounded of the officers while Clyde Iser-hower, of the attacking party, lies in the Chester hospital prob-ably mortally wounded and Jesably mortally wounded and Jes-

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picked it up and examining it found four empty cartridges. The weapon was of 38 calibre. One of the Isenhower brothers then came out and said the weapon belonged to his brother Clyde and said, "Give it to me." The witness complied with the request.

Dr. J. C. Buchanan and Dr. J. E. Douglas described the rounds causing the death of heriff Field. There ere threa, the bullet entered the lower left s de cf the abdomen and the ball vas found under the skin on the v as found under the skin on the upper right side of the abdomen. It did not come through. An-other entrance was on the right of the abdomen with the exit on the left a little higher. The third wound was in the left arm D<sup>w</sup>. Buchanan produced the bul-let removed at a Columbia hos-pital. It was 32 calibre. In order to make a more thor-

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#### Coroner Holds Court.

The coroner's jury was assembled in the town hall at 3 o'ciock Tuesday when Coroner R. Smith opened the inquest with J. E. Coan, as foreman of the jury. The bulk of the testimony was offered by the special officers who assisted the sheriff in defending the prisoner. These included rural policemen, constables and civilians sworn in for the work at hand. Among the of. nes, J. A. Scott, Jr., Walter T. McKinstry, A. P. Irby' J. W. Stevenson, T. O. Boulware, Jesse

lovner, Otis Cauthen and W. S. Blair.

The testimony of these men varied little. Some had made the trip to Columbia with the sheriff to secure the prisoner while others joined the party on the ar-rival of the automobiles in the jail yard. All agreed that the first shot was fired as the officers were beginning the ascent of the court house steps with the prisoner. Many of the o ficers declared that Clyde Isenhower shot through the balusters at the sheriff and prisoner standing close together on the steps. Tes-timony was given that the last shot was fired by Ernest Isenhower, and several witnesses de-clared that Raleigh Boulware had stated to them that he was

shot by Ernest Isenhower. The testimony of the different positions they occupied. Some claimed to have heard one re-mark and others another before the shooting began. Rural Po-liceman Scott declared that he heard some one say "Now is the time," just before the first shot was fired. Some witnesses testified that various men fired shots while others only saw these men have drawn revolvers

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J. W. Hood, a clerk, testified that Rawls left a pistol with him ten days ago and that he delivered it back to him Monday morn-ing before the shooting. It was .32 calibre: was loaded and had not been fired, as far as he knew.

K. R. McMaster, a merchant, noticed a pistol at his store, and when he asked what had become of it, he was advised that it had been returned to Mr. Rauls. Report of Grand Jury.

### To the Honorable John S. Wil-

son, Judge presiding: We concur fully in the ap-peal of your Honor for the en-forcement of the law, and deep-ly regret and deplore the tragedy enacted within the portals of the Court house today, to the horror of thoughtful and lawabiding citizens, and we join in your Honor's tribute to the courage of Sheriff Hood and his faithful discharge of his duties even at the risk of his own life. He and his brave assistants on the occasion heroically discharged their duties and their conduct cannot be too highly praised and we realize that when the spirit of these men shall always characterize our public officers, much shall have been done to put lawlessness down. We have made an investigation of this anali-and present for murder Clyde Isenhower, Ernest Isenhower and Jesse Morrison and James Rawls, of the prisoner. Jules Smith having been killed on this day while in the castody of the Sheriff and his deputies. The names of the witnesses will be handed the solicitor by the forenian. We also present the same parties for feloneously assaulting and shooting Sheriff A. D. Hood Earle Stevenson, Snider Kelly, B. R. Beck-am, J. W. Richardson, on the 14th June 1915.

J. H. Coleman, Foreman.

#### Remains of Sheriff Hood Laid

#### To Rest. 6/14/15-

With the tolling of the church bells of the town the body of Adam D. Hood was escorted from Anam D. Hood was esconce from the home by a body of Mason's. Woodmen of the World and hundreds of admiring friends to the Presbyterian church yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock where services were conducted by Revs. J. B. Traywick and Oliver Johnson after which the remains were turned to the Mason's who escortedthem to the cemetery where he was laid to rest with the beautiful Masonic honors.

Men, women and children from every section of the county came to honor the memory of this dead hero.

#### Who Will Succeed Sheriff Hood?

Owing to the press of business it will be necessary for Governor Manning to appoint a Sheriff for this County at the very earliest moment practicable and the Governor has promised to do this but at the same time he will take sufficient time in order to considsumeient time in order to consid-er carefully the qualifications of each applicant. There are a number of gentlemen who will ask that their names be considered.

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Mr. Earl Stevenson, who is in the Chester hospital, is doing well and it will not be necessary to amputate his arm as at first feared.

# Prisoners Taken to Columbia. Last night about seven o'clock

three automobiles left Winnsboro carrying Ernest Isenhower, Jesse Morrison and James Rawls to the penitentiary for safe keeping. Our people did not look for trouble but it is well enough to be on the safe side. We understand that the prisoners were glad of the opportunity to vet out of Winnsboro for the time as they were very nervous over the situation and really feared that they would be attacked on e road

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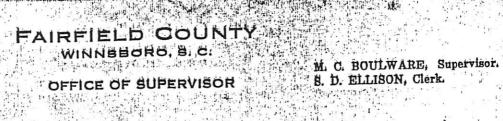
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No. 39	\$98.47
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No. 41	72.03
No. 42	
No. 43	63.38
No. 44	54.491
No. 44	47.12
No. 45	
No. 46	39.67
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